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PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 27.—Lively times are promised in the coal mining situation this week. A crisis is impending. This is conceded on all sides. The arbitration commissioners, on the one side, feel hopeful that they will bring about the initiative for a settlement at the meeting Tuesday morning. The miners' officials, on the other hand, claimed to have adopted measures that will make a complete tie-up. It has developed that many of the West Virginia miners are awaiting word from the Pittsburgh district, and especially from New York and Ohio coal mines. They want to hear of the miners in these mines having joined the general suspension.

This, it is claimed by the officials, will bring all the fueling oils in West Virginia into line, thus making the strike effective in that it will also cut the supply of coal. To accomplish this, arrangements have been made by Eugene V. Debs and other prominent officials to come to this city and hold a meeting for the benefit of the New York and Cleveland miners Thursday morning.

Among the others expected to be present are Samuel Gompers, M. D. Hatchford, M. M. Garland and W. D. Watson.

At this meeting it is intended to strike a final decisive blow, and if possible make the country realize that the place has not been selected as yet, but it will be in a grove in close proximity to the New York, West Virginia and Plum creek mines of the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Co. The reputation of Debs, it is expected, will prove to be a magnet and 12,000 miners are looked for at the meeting.

The meeting at Scottsdale Tuesday the miners in the coal district. The meetings of labor leaders at Wheeling are also looked upon as important features at this period of the strike. Should the West Virginia miners be brought out there are fears for serious trouble at Des Moines mine.

The reports from the country indicate that the miners will not likely come out. The board of arbitrators report matters quiet, waiting on the result of the meeting Tuesday, which they claim to think, means much toward the result of the proposed settlement of the strike. The effort is being made to have as many iron men attend the meeting as possible.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., July 27.—Monday the Monongah Coal Co., senator J. N. Camden's plant, and the West Fairmont Coal Co., ex-cav. The miners got out on an injunction before the circuit court, restraining Eugene V. Debs, et al. from interfering with the coal mine. The miners are in a state of quiet and unchanged. Both sides are waiting for the result of the meeting Tuesday of the operators and the arbitrators are highly elated at the prospects. All agree in saying that it will be the largest meeting of operators ever held in this district. The miners are here, the eastern people having arrived Tuesday morning. The Hotel Johnson and other places Monday night for the operators already here and the strike question is being well discussed. While large numbers are not yet here, the uniformity plan, all are anxious to hear what new phase the peace commissioners have given. The operators are decidedly opposed to uniformity, but all are in favor of arbitration for settlement of the strike. The board is busy completing the arrangements to be presented to the meeting Tuesday at the courthouse.

No one can, at this time, predict the outcome of the conference, which is expected to last two and perhaps three days.

Starts Up on Full Time.—PROVIDENCE, R. I., July 27.—The cotton mills in the Hockanock valley, operated by the Coddards and Chase, which were shut down a week ago, throwing out of work a large number of employees, started up on full time Monday, and at the same time the works and bleacher connected with the Lonsdale mill also began to run on full time. The shutdown was ordered on account of the final condition of the cotton market.

One Killed and Nine Injured.—DENTON, Tex., July 27.—In a boiler explosion at Horton Bros. Brothers, near Argyle, Monday morning, one engineer was killed and nine other persons injured, two of whom will probably die. The boiler was under repair and had no safety valve. The dead engineer had been reinstated with several times for allowing his steam to get so high.

The Motive Power to Be Electricity.—BOSTON, July 27.—The board of railroad commissioners has granted the authority to the Boston and Albany R. Co. to issue \$10,000,000 of bonds. The motive power of the road is to electricity.

Wages Increased.—NEW YORK, July 27.—The Algonquin Woolen Mills Co., of Passaic, N. J., have given notice that on and after August 1 wages of the mill hands will be increased from 10 to 15 per cent.

# MONDAY'S GAMES.

The Winners Were New York, St. Louis, Philadelphia, and Boston. The Losers Were Cleveland, St. Paul, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Brooklyn.

How They Stood. The following table shows the record of the teams in the National League and American League.

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# IMPORTERS OF GOODS.

Entered a Protest Against the Tariff Law. The following table shows the record of the teams in the National League and American League.

Will Visit Montana. Helena, Mont., July 27.—Gov. Smith today received a letter from W. J. Bryan, who left Blackfoot, Minn., Monday for National park, accepting an invitation to be the governor's guest while in this city.

Permitted by the President. NEW YORK, July 27.—The Daily News has learned that the president has permitted the first national park, which was founded in 1892, to be extended to five years imprisonment for wrecking the bank of which he was president.

British Wheat Crop Below the Average. LONDON, July 27.—The Agricultural Gazette reports on a circular which contains information on the wheat crop prospects. The circular elicited 718 replies, the substance of which shows that the wheat crop for the United Kingdom is much below the average.

Death of Mrs. E. W. F. W. CHICAGO, July 27.—Mrs. E. W. F. W. passed, through whose efforts many of the most famous patients throughout the United States, is dead. The end came Monday at the Hahnemann hospital after a surgical operation.

For the World's Championship. BOSTON, July 27.—Thos. P. Conneff, of this city, and Geo. R. Tinelor, of England, have been selected to represent a one mile race for the world's championship at \$250 a race. The race will be run on August 1, and the Worcester Oval at Worcester, Mass.

Japan's Protest. LONDON, July 27.—The Daily Chronicle Tuesday morning says with reference to the question of the annexation of Hawaii by the United States: "In the present state of public feeling in the United States Japan, an old enemy, might as well be addressed to the falls of Niagara."

# A CIRCULAR.

From the Treasury Department to Revenue Collectors.

Several Inconsistencies in the New Tariff Act Discussed.

By Mr. J. T. Tracwell, of Indiana, to the Assistant Controller of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The following circular was issued Monday from the treasury department: "To collectors and other officers of the customs: The president having this day approved the tariff act recently passed by congress, the tariff act of August 1891, so far as it has been superseded by the new act, became void and of no effect at midnight on July 23, 1897 (see synopses 15,381 and 10,141). All merchandise entered at the custom house on and after July 24, under the rates of the act last mentioned, will be subject to liquidation under the provisions of the new act.

All existing regulations relating to the importation of merchandise and the proceedings pertaining thereto will continue in full force and effect, unless duly modified or revised. (Circular No. 10,141.)

Another section fixes the rate of duty on hides of cattle at 15 per cent. The question involved in the classification of calf skins, it was contended that commercially calf skins are not hides of cattle, and hence are entitled to free entry which is believed to be contrary to the purpose of congress. Attention is also called to the fact that the provision as to licenses for customs brokers was by inadvertence, it is believed, left out of the act. Circulars are in preparation containing a number of the sections of the new tariff act, some of them are permitted under certain restrictions to bring with them duty free samples and reasonable quantities as would be reasonable and useful for the personal use of persons in their conduct of business.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—Owing to the fact that he expects to leave the city with the McKinley delegation on Wednesday, Secretary Alger has been compelled to decline an invitation to deliver an address at the dedication of a statue of the late president at that day. Assistant Secretary McKinley will be asked to take the secretary's place at the ceremony.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The president decided to appoint Robert J. Tracwell, of Indiana, for the position of controller of the treasury. President McKinley, realizing the importance of the position, had been considering the matter of the selection of an appointee considerable attention and finally concluded to give the place to Mr. Tracwell. The appointment is said at the white house, is entirely one of merit, Mr. Tracwell having been in the position of controller of the treasury for several years.

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# CONDENSED NEWS.

Gathered From All Parts of the Country.

Frank M. Hayes has been appointed receiver of the Keystone national bank at Erie, Pa.

The New York cotton mills in Saco, Me., will shut down Saturday for six weeks, the reason assigned being the necessity of reducing the output. The mills employ 1,500 operatives.

The new docks at Puerto Caballo, Venezuela, have been formally opened to trade with considerable ceremony. A banquet was given to commemorate the occasion at which the foreign ministers and Venezuelan high dignitaries were present. The excellent work done in construction was praised.

The steamer City of Toledo, arrived at Seattle, Wash., from Alaska at 1 o'clock Monday morning. The Topeka was also here, with passengers and cargo. The Topeka is a new ship, built at the Topeka shipyard, and is now being fitted out for service. The Topeka is a new ship, built at the Topeka shipyard, and is now being fitted out for service.

Over 300 policy holders in the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Co. association held an exciting meeting in New York Monday. They decided to refuse to pay any more assessments into the company and to empower the committee chosen at last week's meeting to make arrangements to transfer as many of the policy holders as are willing into some old established New York company.

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